



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiroshi Kondo et al.  
Serial No.: 09/723,768  
Conf. No.: 6836  
Filed: 11/28/2000  
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
PREVENTING AN ERRONEOUS  
OPERATION AT THE TIME OF  
DETECTION OF A SYSTEM FAILURE  
Art Unit: 2113  
Examiner: Puente, Emerson C.

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March 10, 2005

Date

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	22	36	0	x \$50.00	= \$ -0-
Independent Claims	10	16	0	x \$200.00	= \$ -0-
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$360.00	= \$ -0-
Total Additional Fee					\$ -0-
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)					\$ -0-

(X) Amendment C.

( ) A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

( ) Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

( ) Letter to Draftsperson, with \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of marked-up drawings.

( ) Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

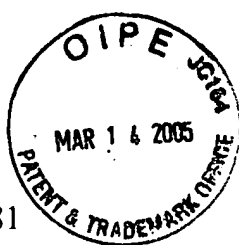
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2004, please amend the application as follows: